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History of present outbreak of smallpox in Chicago—Summary of cases and deaths from smallpox, 1890–1905.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Young reports, May 27, as follows:

The present outbreak of smallpox began almost a year ago in a suburban neighborhood largely inhabited by Poles, having been imported thence to the Polish settlement in the city. The cases now, however, are appearing in widely scattered localities. There have been a few cases among Marine Hospital patients—1 case last week—but there does not seem to be any involvement of the shipping, except in a merely casual way. In the case just referred to I had the crew vaccinated as far as practicable, but, as is usually the case, most of the crew had left before we could get to the ship. We have been vaccinating all patients admitted to hospital, and have to-day given orders that vaccination be urged upon all applicants for out-relief.

The following summary gives number of cases since 1890 to May 26, 1905, number of deaths, and number suffering with disease who presented evidence of vaccination. These of course include many, probably a large majority, with very faint scars, the result of vacci-

nation in infancy.

Year.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases pre- viously vaccinated.
1899. 1900. 1901. 1901.	22 54 276 339 389 358 402	1 2 4 5 47 28 43	1 4 39 21 50 47 118
1903. 1904. 1905 (to May 26)			

Report from Gulfport, Miss.—Enteric fever—Smallpox reported in vicinity—Health of shipping.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Sheely reports, May 27, as follows:

Two cases of intermittent malarial fever on ship *Canara*, from Habana, during the past week. Otherwise the shipping remains healthy.

With the exception of 4 or 5 cases of enteric fever, now convalescent, the city is remarkably healthy.

Report from San Antonio, Tex.—Work of sanitary department during month of May, 1905.

Clerk of Sanitation Gallagher reports, May 31, as follows:

Month of May, 1905.—Premises inspected, 3,991; premises reinspected, 2,535; cesspools filled, 19; wells filled, 5; cisterns filled, 8; sewer connections made, 29; houses fumigated, 20; rooms fumigated, 54; cellars fumigated, 3; cisterns, 2; total visits made by inspector during month, 6,526.